

REMARKS

Status of the Claims

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. Claim 1 is currently amended. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

New matter is not being introduced into the Application by way of this amendment. The Applicants inadvertently previously omitted the recitation of perfluorocyclopentene in claim 1. The amendment to claim 1 is supported in the specification at page 20, line 25. Accordingly, no new matter is added, and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has required an election of species in the present application. As discussed in the Office Action at page 3, in addition to the species listed at page 2 of the Office Action, perfluorocyclopentene is also considered to be a separate species of the invention.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, applicants elect the species of perfluorocyclopentene. Claims 1-7 and 14 read upon the elected species.

As mentioned in the Office Action, once the claims to the elected species are found allowable, the Office is required to expand the search in an effort to find the other species allowable as well.

Conclusion

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact J. Mark Konieczny (Reg. No. 47,715) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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